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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
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Dear Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated June 27, 2005 for two(2) months from September 27, 2005 to November 28, 2005. An Amendment responding to the aforesaid Office Action is being filed concurrently herewith.

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